State Register and the Worth County Eagle newspapers published at Des Moines and Northwood Iowa, without expense to the State.

Approved, March 20, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register and Worth County Eagle March 27, 1884.

J. A. T. HULL, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 32.

LEGALIZING-TOWN OF BELMOND.

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AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation Ordinances, and Acts of the Officers, of the Incorporated Town of Belmond, in the County of Wright, Iowa.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The inhabitants of the town of Belmond, in the county of Wright, and state of Iowa, did in the year 1881 incorporate said town as the incorporated town of Belmond, by complying with or endeavoring to comply with sections 421, 422, 423, 424 and 425 of the code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, A mayor, recorder, and six trustees, were elected

by the citizens of said town; and

THEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to whether the provisions of said sections have been fully complied with, and as to the legality of said incorporation, the election and qualification of the officers, and the acts of all its officers up to this time; and

Whereas, That at the regular election of officers for said town, held in March 1883, the mayor was duly elected, and within ten days from the time of his election was sworn into office, by the recorder of said town, and doubts arising as to the authority of said recorder to administer such oath, the said mayor after the expiration of the said ten days, at a regular meeting of the council of said town, in their presence, and with their consent, was again sworn into office by a justice of the peace of said county, all of which was made a matter of record in the records of said town; and

WHEREAS, Certain ordinances though regularly passed signed by the mayor and attested by the recorder and duly published as by law required, the original copies thereof were not recorded in the book of the written ordinances of said town, by the recorder whose duty it was to record them, until some

days after the expiration of his term of office; and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of said or-

dinances; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

That the incorporated town of Belmond in Legalizing SECTION 1. Wright county Iowa, the election and qualification of its offi- clause. cers up to this time, and all ordinances resolutions, and by-laws, passed by the council of said town, and the acts of all the officers of said town, acting by the authority thereby conferred, and the ordinances referred to in the preamble hereof, not in contravention with the laws of the state of Iowa, be and the same are hereby ratified and legalized, and declared to have the same effect, as if the original incorporation, the election and qualification of the officers, the passing publication, and recording, of its ordinances, had been regular, and in strict and full compliance with the laws then and now in force.

This act being deemed of immediate importance Publication. shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published in Des Moines, Iowa, and the Belmond Herald, a newspaper published at Belmond, Iowa, said

publication to be without expense to the state.

Approved, March 20, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register March 27, and in the Belmond Herald April 2, 1884. J. A. T. HULL, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 33.

LEGALIZING-TOWN OF MURRAY.

AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation of the Town of Murray, H. F. 33. Clark county, Iowa and its Ordinances, The Acts of its Officers Thereunder and its Right To Sue and Be Sued in its Incorporated Name.

I. WHEREAS, At the August term 1880 of the circuit court Preamble. of the third judicial district of the State of Iowa in and for Clark county due and legal steps were taken to incorporate the town of Murray in Clark county and State of Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, All the requirements of the law were complied with in the incorporation of said town of Murray—except the filing of the papers at the time in the office of the recorder of said county and the office of the secretary of state as provided by chapter ten of the code of Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, The papers in the proceedings being moved from the files of the said circuit court and being lost without any fault of said incorporated town and the notice of the boundaries of said town and the results of the election for incorporation being published at the time and in the manner as provided by law and a copy thereof and affidavit as required by law